

1 AN ACT concerning wildlife.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Wildlife Code is amended by adding Section
5 2.2b as follows:

6 (520 ILCS 5/2.2b new)

7 Sec. 2.2b. Imminent threat; nuisance permits.

8 (a) It shall not be illegal for an owner or tenant of land,
9 or their designated agent, to immediately take on his or her
10 property a gray wolf, *Canis lupus*; American black bear, *Ursus*
11 *americanus*; or cougar, *Puma concolor* if, at any time, the gray
12 wolf, American black bear, or cougar is stalking, causing an
13 imminent threat, or there is a reasonable expectation that it
14 causes an imminent threat of physical harm or death to a human,
15 livestock, domestic animals or harm to structures or other
16 property on the owner or tenant's land.

17 (b) The Department may grant a nuisance permit to the owner
18 or tenant of land, or their designated agent, for the taking of
19 a gray wolf, American black bear, or cougar that is causing a
20 threat to an owner or tenant of land or his or her property
21 that is not an immediate threat under subsection (a) of this
22 Section.

23 (c) The Department shall adopt rules to implement this

1 Section.